

DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS # K-7381  
SPO Map 10-11-15  
Hundred Mispillion  
Quad Harrington  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Melvin Property
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3054 Farmington Road, East Side of Road
3. TOWN/NEAREST TOWN: Harrington vicinity? ☐
4. MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE:      building ☒      structure ☐      site ☐      object ☐  
   landscape ☐      district ☐
5. MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY: Residence
6. PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable): Harrington truck route study

7. ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	Residence
0	CRS 3 Secondary Building Form	
0	CRS 4 Archaeological Site Form	
0	CRS 5 Structure (Building-Like) Form	
0	CRS 6 Structure (Land Feature) Form	
0	CRS 7 Object Form	
0	CRS 8 Landscape Elements Form	
	CRS 9 Map Form	N/A
0	CRS 14 Potential District Form	

8. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor name: Lauren C. Archibald and Christine Tate

Principal Investigator name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator signature: *Lauren C. Archibald*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 7/22/2005

9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

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10. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- ☐ Pre-European Contact
- ☐ Paleo-Indian
- ☐ Archaic
- ☐ Woodland I
- ☐ Woodland II

- ☐ 1600-1750∇ Contact Period (Native American)
- ☐ 1630-1730∇ Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- ☐ 1730-1770∇ Intensified and Durable Occupation
- ☐ 1770-1830∇ Early Industrialization
- ☐ 1830-1880∇ Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- ☐ 1880-1940∇ Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- ☒ 1940-1960∇ Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization

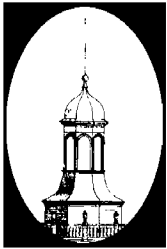
b) Geographical zone

- ☐ Piedmont
- ☒ Upper Peninsula
- ☐ Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- ☐ Coastal
- ☐ Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture           | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry              | <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying      | <input type="checkbox"/> Government   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering     | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing         | <input type="checkbox"/> Education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing/Wholesaling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizations                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance               | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events                   |

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAIN BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3054 Farmington Road, East Side of Road
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Dwelling current Dwelling
3. YEAR BUILT: 1940 CIRCA?: ☒ ARCHITECT/BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_
4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Massed plan; bungalow form with modern alterations
5. INTEGRITY: original site ☒ moved ☐  
if moved, from where other location's CRS # year
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- list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year
- |                                    | <u>Late</u> | <u>20<sup>th</sup> C</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| a. Enclosed front and rear porches |             |                          |
| b.                                 |             |                          |
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6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ poor ☐
7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)
- a. Overall shape: Rectangular Stories: 1.5  
Additions: Off of north wall is a small gabled wing addition and an enclosed garage addition covered with vertical wooden siding, 1 pedestrian door, and 1 garage door.
- b. Structural system (if known): Frame
- c. Foundation: materials: Concrete block  
basement: full ☐ partial ☒ not visible ☐ no basement ☐
- d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Now stripped - undergoing renovation.
- e. Roof: shape: Side gable; with integral shed-roofed extensions  
materials: Green asphalt shingles  
cornice: Wood  
dormers: 3 gabled dormers on front; one in rear  
chimney: location(s): Off center, interior, brick; one off north gable end; exterior
8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:
- a. Facade: Direction: W
- 1) Bays 3
- 2) Windows
- fenestration Regular
- type Fixed; full-length glass panes, 3 on each side of door
- trim Wood
- shutters n/a

**Facade (cont'd)**

- 3) **Door(s)**  
     location Center  
     type Glazed with full sidelights  
     trim Wood
- 4) **Porch(es)** Full enclosed, glazed windows, front porch, all replaced windows

**b. Side: Direction: S**

- 1) **Bays** 3
- 2) **Windows**  
     fenestration Irregular  
     type Fixed and swivel windows on enclosed porch; 1/1 sash on others  
     trim Aluminum and wood  
     shutters n/a
- 3) **Door(s)** n/a  
     location n/a  
     type n/a  
     trim n/a
- 4) **Porch(es)** n/a

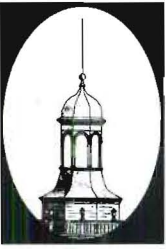
**c. Side: Direction: N**

- 1) **Bays** 2-3
- 2) **Windows**  
     fenestration Regular  
     type 1/1 sash, in attic story  
     trim Wood  
     shutters n/a
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     location On front enclosed porch; and on gable wing  
     type Single, glazed door and 2 solid wooden panels  
     trim Wood
- 4) **Porch(es)** n/a

**d. Rear: Direction: E**

- 1) **Bays** 4
- 2) **Windows**  
     fenestration Irregular  
     type Picture window (replaced) and 2/2 sash; (being renovated)  
     trim Wood and vinyl  
     shutters n/a
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     location In garage to North end  
     type Overhead/rolling-type  
     trim Wood
- 4) **Porch(es)** No actual porch, but roof around garage and addition has a projecting eave which serves as a protective overhang

**9. INTERIOR:** n/a**10. LANDSCAPING:** Landscaped yard, plantings and flowers; deciduous and coniferous trees, hedges, grass, etc.**11. OTHER COMMENTS:** Pebble driveway; highly landscaped yard; with extensive plantings.



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM

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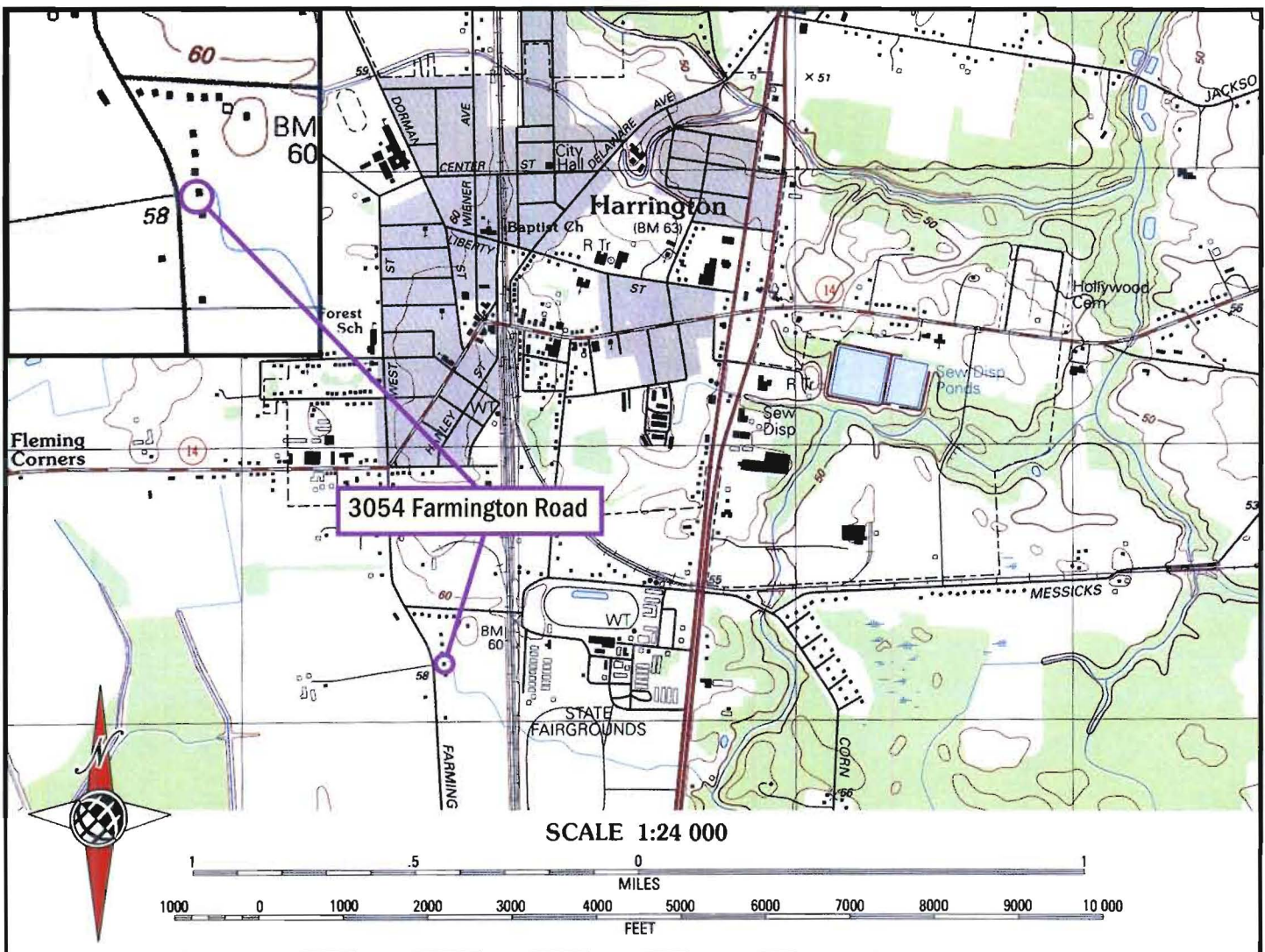
2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION ☐ reason: \_\_\_\_\_

3. LOCATION MAP:

Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.

(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map )

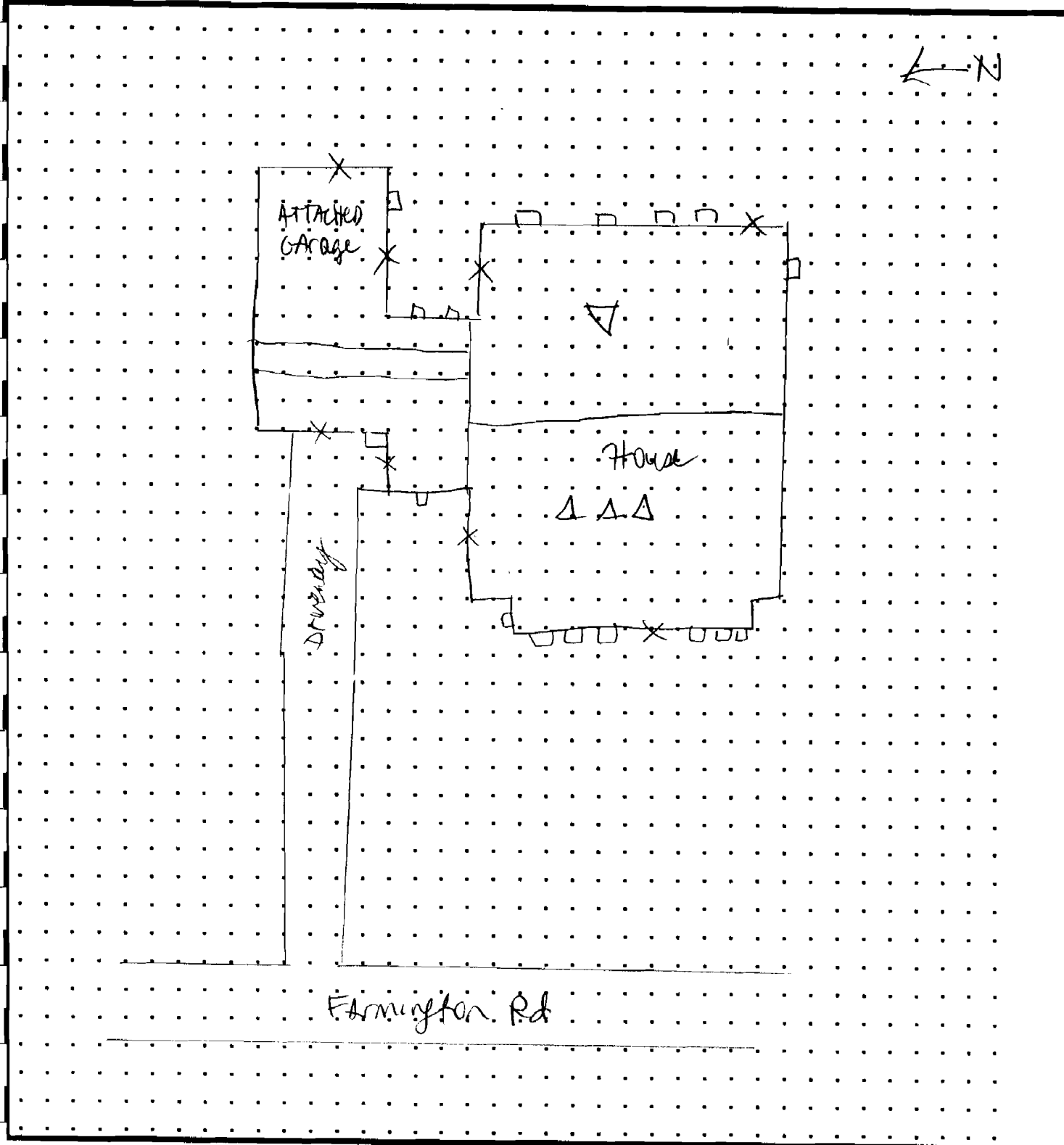
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4. SITE PLAN:

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The building at 3054 Farmington Road in Harrington, Delaware, has a massed plan consisting of a bungalow form with Neocolonial elements and modern alterations. The residence was constructed ca. 1940. The one-and-one-half story, frame dwelling has a rectangular footprint. The side-gable roof contains integral shed-roof extensions to the front and rear. The building is oriented on an east-west axis and sits atop a concrete-block foundation. An addition, which is connected to the main house by a small hyphen, has a distinct rectangular footprint and is located on the northeastern portion of the building. The residence is currently undergoing substantial renovations. At this time, the house is almost entirely stripped of its exterior cladding. A small section of the north elevation retains clapboard siding.

On the main house, the symmetrical façade, which faces west, is composed of an enclosed front porch. The three-bay façade features a centrally placed, recessed entrance flanked by three-pane, fixed, picture windows with wooden trim. The wooden door is flanked with full sidelights. The former porch area is covered with an integral shed roof. Three gable-roof dormers feature replacement windows.

The southern (side) elevation has three bays. The fenestration is irregularly placed and consists of a fixed window flanked by pivoted basement windows and three one-over-one, double-hung-sash windows.

The northern (side) elevation consists of a complex configuration due to the presence of the addition. A single, glazed, pedestrian door is located on the western end of this elevation. A one-over-one, double-hung sash window is located in the attic story of the building. An exterior, brick chimney is present.

The rear elevation, which faces east, has four bays with irregularly placed fenestration. A large, replacement picture window and two-over-two, double-hung-sash windows are located on this elevation. The trim around these windows, which are currently being renovated, consists of both wood and vinyl. A single, gable-roof dormer with a replacement window punctuates the roof.

The roof of the main building is covered with both old and new asphalt shingles in two different colors.

The addition is connected to the northeastern portion of the main house. It has a complex roof shape that is a combination of hipped and gable forms. A slightly projecting eave surrounds the addition. The west elevation contains both a single pedestrian entrance and an overhung garage door. Another pedestrian entrance is located on the perpendicular hyphen wall. The east elevation is dominated by an overhung door. The north elevation is devoid of openings, and the southern elevation connects to the hyphen. The hyphen also contains a one-over-one, double-hung window, and a shed roof on the north elevation. Both the addition and the hyphen are clad in vertical wood siding. The roofs are covered with asphalt shingles.

The area surrounding the residence is highly landscaped. A collection of evergreen and deciduous trees are located around the house, and flowers, hedges, ornamental grasses, and other plantings are plentiful. The driveway leading to the house has a gravel surface.

**Historical Background.** The property on which this house was built appears to be derived from a 220+/- tract in the nineteenth century. This tract was owned by several families in the area. After 1910, the property began to be subdivided, but it was not until 1948 that the parcel took on its current, much smaller, configuration. On December 5, 1910, William A. Reed sold the property, containing 221.0 acres along with "...all that farm...", to George H. Hall for \$7,500 (Kent County Deed Books [KCDB] Z9:167). On December 20, 1911, George H. Hall sold the property, containing 22.0 acres, along with "...all singular the buildings, improvements, and fixtures" to Heba Baker for \$4,500 (KCDB D10:491). On October 15, 1937, Heba Baker sold the property, containing 18.0 acres, along with "...all singular the buildings, improvements, and fixtures" to Edgell C. and Minnie C. Coates for \$1,150 (KCDB B15:330). On April 17, 1945, Edgell C. and Minnie C. Coates sold the property, containing 18.0 acres, along with "...all singular the buildings, improvements, and fixtures" to Frank H. and Pearl E. Derrickson for \$2,800 (KCDB T16:497). On March 9, 1948, Frank H. and Pearl E. Derrickson sold the property, containing 1.34 acres, to Alvin W. and Helen M. Melvin for \$500 (KCDB H18:134). On July 2, 1954, Alvin W. and Helen M. Melvin conveyed the property, containing 1.34 acres along with "...the improvements thereon erected" to Curtis and Janet Melvin (KCDB M20: 393). On August 5, 1970, Curtis and Janet Melvin sold the property, containing 1.34 acres, along with "...the improvements thereon erected" to George and Ann Miller for \$22,500 (KCDB N26:371). On November 16, 1979 George and Ann Miller sold the property, containing 1.34 acres, along with "...the improvements thereon erected" to Robert C. and Katherine A. Monroe for 54,000 (KCDB N34:53).

## **Bibliography**

Kent County Deed Books (KCDB), Kent County Courthouse, Dover, Delaware.